

# CONCORDIA



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*Stingers*

## Stingers advance to Dunsmore Cup

Concordia running back Jean-Michel Paquette rushed for 209 yards and scored a touchdown to help the unranked Stingers knock off the No. 6-ranked Laval Rouge et Or in a QIFC semifinal game before 10,000 fans in Quebec City last Saturday.

The 29-21 win gives Concordia a berth in the Dunsmore Cup, the Quebec university championship, versus the McGill Redmen at Molson Stadium on Saturday, Nov. 9. Kickoff is 1 p.m.

Paquette, a fourth-year Administration major, had a career game with 209 yards rushing. "It felt good," he said afterwards. "It's my first playoff win in four years."

Now Paquette turns his considerable talents toward the McGill Redmen and the Dunsmore Cup. He averages 159 all-purpose yards a game. During the regular season, he was the Stingers' leading rusher with 316 yards on 56 carries and two touchdowns. He was the leading receiver with 26 receptions for 366 yards and two TDs.

He is also the top return man in the QIFC and was named to the conference all-star team as a return specialist last week. He returned 29 punts for 294 yards and eight kickoffs for 327 yards.

"We're really confident," Paquette said. "We believe in ourselves, in our team. If we play the way we know we can, we should be able to win."

Paquette, along with linebacker Mickey Donovan, will be key parts of the Stingers' playoff drive. Donovan had 13 tackles in the Laval match, which is six more than any other defensive player in the game. During the regular season, he led the QIFC in defensive stats with 64 tackles in just six games.

"We need some big plays and we need the momentum," said Donovan. "We definitely need crowd support. When we have our fans behind us, we always do well."

### Quick Facts

#### The Concordia-McGill Playoff Series:

1982	Concordia 35	McGill 10
1983	McGill 22	Concordia 21
1993	Concordia 34	McGill 30
1994	McGill 21	Concordia 17
2001	McGill 11	Concordia 8

- McGill 3 wins, Concordia 2 wins
- All five games semifinals, all played at Concordia

### **Concordia Dunsmore Cup Appearances:**

1998	Concordia 17	Laval 12
1993	Concordia 10	Bishop's 7
1985	Carleton 46	Concordia 21
1982	Concordia 25	Queen's 15

### **Concordia Football Practice Schedule**

Monday, Nov. 4	5:45-8 p.m.	Loyola Campus
Tuesday, Nov. 5	5-7 p.m.	Catalogna Complex
Wednesday, Nov. 6	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Catalogna Complex
Thursday, Nov. 7	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Catalogna Complex
Friday, Nov. 8	5-6 p.m.	Loyola Campus
Saturday, Nov. 9	kickoff 1 p.m.	Molson Stadium

Catalogna Sports Complex is located at 775 1st Ave. in Lachine.

Tickets for the Dunsmore Cup will be on sale at the Concordia Athletic Complex on the Loyola campus, 7200 Sherbrooke St. W., on Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$7 for students.

**For info on the Dunsmore Cup call Concordia sports information at (514) 848-3862  
or the football office at (514) 848-3845.**

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